**Week in Review and Lookahead**  
Friday, September 3, 2021

Through close collaboration with the Mission Hill community and the City of Boston, GLT exceeded its goals for making improvements on the E Branch during the month of August and even finished the work 1 day early — for a total of **4,600 feet of track, one upgraded intersection, and completed improving 10 crosswalks in just 27 days**. We celebrated this achievement for our riders and neighbors on Tuesday with Secretary of Transportation and CEO of MassDOT Jamey L. Tesler, MBTA General Manager Steve Poftak, and our incredible community partners ([click here to watch the video](#)).

**E Branch Track and Intersection Upgrades**

Renew 4,600 feet of full-depth embedded track, repair 10 pedestrian crosswalks on Huntington Ave, at Back of the Hill, and Heath St stations, and upgrade the Tremont St intersection (Heath St – Brigham Circle)

- **Last Week** | On Huntington Ave, all trackwork rehabilitation and asphalt paving along with pavement marking was achieved. Additional trackwork and asphalt paving was also completed near Heath Street Station. Performed a successful test train run prior to returning to revenue service on Sunday 08/29. **Watch this video** to see highlights of all we accomplished on the E Branch this August during the full access closure!

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D Branch Track and Signal Replacement

Upgrade 25,000 feet of track and 7 linear miles of signal cable (Beaconsfield to Riverside)

- **Last Week** | Crews continued with trackwork at Riverside station along with signal work at Grove Street. Thermite welding continued at Newton Highlands Station and electrical crews continued with guy wire work and signal testing at various locations within the project limits

- **Lookahead** | The contractor will continue thermite welding the recently installed trackwork, while electrical crews will continue with guy wire work and signal testing at various locations within the project limits

B Branch Station Consolidation

Consolidate four (4) existing Green Line stations on the B Branch along Commonwealth Avenue adjacent to Boston University, into two (2), fully accessible, brand new stations (Babcock & Amory)

- **Last Week** | At the new Babcock Street and Amory Street Stations, crews continued with the station canopy roofing and electrical work. Crews also began installing information boards and station fixtures

- **Lookahead** | Crews will continue with station canopy roofing, electrical work, and the installation of information boards and station fixtures at the new Babcock Street and Amory Street stations

Lechmere Viaduct Rehabilitation Project

Strengthen and preserve the 110-year-old viaduct for heavier loads and increased train frequency

- **Last Week** | Continued grout injection, concrete repairs and sealing joints, installation of carbon fiber wrapping, and miscellaneous punch list work

- **Lookahead** | Continue concrete repairs, sealing joints, grout injection, installation of carbon fiber wrapping, and punch list work

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